



Student Services Divisions' In Brief

El Camino College

NOVEMBER 2023

Enrollment Services

Enrollment Services General

(No Updates At This Time)

Admissions and Records

(No Updates At This Time)

Financial Aid

(No Updates At This Time)

International Student Program

(No Updates At This Time)

Outreach and School Relations

(No Updates At This Time)

Warrior Welcome Center

We continue assisting students with Winter registration and soon Spring Registration. We are assisting our ESL students complete the process to register in ESL classes.

- We continue to offer New Student Orientations online and in person please refer student to the Welcome Center
- **Drop-in registration support** is available via zoom bit.ly/WWC-EDI or in person in our Welcome Center
- Questions please email us welcomecenter@elcamino.edu phone number: 310-660-3405.

Counseling and Student Success

Career

(No Updates At This Time)

Counseling General

(No Updates At This Time)

FYE

(No Updates At This Time)

Immigrant Student Success

Professional and Program Development

- Immigrant Student Success (ISS) Coordinator and counselor, Laura Mason, attended Regional AB540 training at CSULA on November 2nd. Updates were forwarded by Josie.
 - Event objectives:

- Be aware of the FAQ's elements to ensure accurate implementation
- Be exposed to promising practices regarding AB540
- Build Community with practitioners supporting undocumented students
- Gain Strategies to integrate the AB540 FAQ on campus.
- ISS team met with Career Services department to discuss ideas to support undocumented students as they look for job opportunities.
- ISS coordinator connected with Dulce Corum, Undocumented Student Program (USP) at UCLA. Meeting objective: learn about the way other schools support undocumented students and get ideas how to best collaborate and get connected with other DRL's.
- ISS Coordinator, Outreach Department, and Undocu Scholars team already meeting to discuss next Spring's events: Immigrant Families Night, Undocu Advocate training for Local High Schools.
- In partnership with Undocu Scholars will be presenting an Undocu Advocate training at Spring PD day
- CHIRLA (Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights, Los Angeles) will be providing in-person consultation on November 30th.
- Tagged potential furniture in ARTB for ISS Center – need to confirm space and location
- Based on increase demand for student appointments, reviewed budget to await SEA carryover request from to submit request for additional PT counselor funding

Outreach efforts

- ISS coordinator tabled and provided information flyers at New Faculty Learning Academy Fair on November 3rd.
- ISS program conducted outreach during College Night on November 8th. In addition, counseling appointments were provided on the spot as current students expressed the need to meet with a counselor and did not know how to do it.
- ISS program conducted outreach and provided informational flyers at Harvest Festival and Resources Fair on November 21st.

UndocuWarriors Club

- Undocu Warriors **first** club Meeting took place at Social Justice Center on November 6th and subsequent meeting on Nov 20th.
 - ISS coordinator, 2 ISS counselors, and club advisor (Jaime Gallegos, Transfer center) were present.
 - Went over ISS program, Transfer center, college updates, and provided information about entrepreneurship resources. Intros took place as well.
 - Board positions need to be filled out. Meeting participants learned about responsibilities each position holds
 - Meeting participants discussed ways the club can be active.
 - Team building activity took place

Student Success Program

(No Updates At This Time)

Transfer Center

November remaining Transfer Workshops:

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| • M. | 11/27 | 10-1pm | UC/CSU App | SSB 200 and Virtual |
| • T. | 11/28 | 2-4pm | UC PIQ Lab | SSB 200 and Virtual |
| • W. | 11/29 | 1-5pm | UC/CSU App | SSB 200 and Virtual |
| • Th. | 11/30 | 3-7pm | UC/CSU App | Library |
| • Th. | 11/30 | 8-10pm | UC/CSU App | Virtual |

Tours:

- F. 12/1 CSU Long Beach Tour

Student Support Services

Student Support Services General

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EOPS/CARE/CalWORKs/Guardian Scholars

EOPS

- EOPS is now accepting applications for Spring 2024. Students can apply online at <https://www.elcamino.edu/support/resources/eops/apply.aspx>
- Faculty nominated for Instructor Appreciation will be recognized during our annual luncheon on Thursday, November 16, 2023.
- The Tree of Gratitude (November 1st- 30th): Stop by the EOPS/CARE, CalWORKs and Guardian Scholars computer lab to write down things that you are grateful for and put them up on our gratitude tree. This can be anything that you are grateful for or appreciative of- it could be something that happened here today, it could be related to someone in your life that has had a positive impact on you, it could be something someone said or did for you at work, or something as simple as being grateful for the lovely Fall weather. As the days pass, we will watch the tree fill up and blossom from our notes of gratitude and appreciation. Feel free to leave your note anonymous or you can put your name on it, whichever you prefer.
- **EOPS Workshops & Activities**

Date	Event Name	Time
11/8/2023	EOPS Male Student Success	3:30-4:30pm
11/15/2023	Let's Talk About How to Study	1:00 -2:00pm
11/20/2023	CSUN EOP Overview and Application Assistance	2:00-5:00pm
11/28/2023	First Gen Professional (EOPS Career Wks)	1:00 -2:00pm
11/29/2023	EOPS Male Student Success	3:30-4:30pm

CARE

- The CARE program will host the last CARE Convos workshop series of the semester on Thursday, November 2nd from 11am – 12:30pm via Zoom. The workshop will cover the topic of “Dealing with Depression” with an emphasis on post-partum depression among parenting students. Participants will be able to engage in conversation, share personal stories, and hear about the experience of others. The psychologist, Victoria Kwon from the Student Health Services will join us to help facilitate student discussions. CARE students are encouraged to attend and learn more about mental health and helpful coping strategies. Students can register online at https://elcamino-edu.zoom.us/j/9170wPGopd5k6_fRjBBfnZr
- CARE will host the Self-CARE with CARE: Paint and Chill event on Tuesday, November 14th from 12 – 2pm in the Distance Education Room (LIBB 166). The goal of the Self-CARE event is to help our parenting students alleviate some stress right before finals examinations. It is also an opportunity for CARE students to come together, share space, and build community. This semester, we will have a student-led painting session along with child activities for the little ones. Students can register to participate here: <https://tinyurl.com/selfcare1114>
- The CARE team has begun planning for the 25th Annual Warrior Holiday event taking place on Friday, December 1st from 12 – 2pm in the East Dining Room. CARE and CalWORKs students can register to attend

the event here: https://elcamino.formstack.com/forms/25th_care_calworks_warrior_holidays The college community is encouraged to provide monetary donations through the El Camino College Foundation webpage at <https://www.elcamino.edu/foundation/donate.aspx> to help purchase gifts for the children of our CARE and CalWORKs students. The donation flyer with steps on how to donate can be found [here](#).

CalWORKs

- CalWORKs currently has 180 students who have completed the intake process
- There are 12 pending intakes where students need to meet with the counselor that we continue to follow up with
- We have 16 outstanding Verification of Benefits (VoBs)
- We are hosting an in-person workshop on How to Make Your Cover Letter and Resume Standout on Tuesday, November 7th 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
- The CalWORKs team will continue to work with the CARE team on coordination of the 25th Annual Warrior Holiday event

Guardian Scholars

- GSP has 65 active students- 5 students are in the process of completing their counseling appointments
- We will have two career focused workshops for GSP students in the month of November;
 - Resume Workshop on November 14 at 1pm via Zoom
 - Mock Interviews on November 21 at 1pm in the Social Justice Center
- We have received the final grant of \$25,000 from the Pritzker Foster Care Initiative
- GSP is working to identify students for the JBAY Critical Needs Funds
- Teresa is currently working with 4 GSP students who are applying to transfer
- Teresa and Nicole are outreaching to 33 inactive students to re-engage them for Winter and Spring 2024.
- Book and Supply Vouchers for Fall 2023 have closed.

NextUP

- The EOPS application will be used as the central hub to connect students to the EOPS, CARE, and foster youth programs such as NextUP and Guardian Scholars.
 Question 22 on the application has been updated: *Are you a current or former foster youth whose dependency was established or continued by a court on or after your 13th birthday? *Please select yes, if you have experience in foster care, probation, Kinship Relative Care, etc.*
- Helen and Roz are actively in the process of onboarding students for NextUP. They are working with a list of 60 prospective students that we have a NextUP preliminary determination for. These are students that have already been verified as foster youth by the financial aid office, meet the age criteria, and are enrolled at ECC this fall.
- Welcome Appointments include information about the NextUP program, educational planning, and a needs assessment.
- We are excited to announce that we will be welcoming a new NextUP Student Success Coach who will join Roz and provide support with case management and program activities to increase access, retention, and success of our foster youth students.

Student Development Office

- ASO now stands at 51 members active in the organization, the largest population of student leaders since 2015.
- ASO sent 6 students and 2 advisors to San Francisco for the CCCSAA Conference in late October. Advisor Tyler Strohl presented two sessions, one on campus leadership in advocacy and one on males in community colleges and keys to success.

- ASO participated in College Night welcoming new and prospective families.
- Hosted a Student Safety Presentation in collaboration with Student Health Services and Campus Police. Attendance was 30+.
- ASO collaborated with Basic Needs for Fall Harvest Festival, volunteering over 150+ hours of time and serving over 500 community members.
- ASO will send 22 students to the SSCCC Advocacy Academy in Riverside this weekend to learn about how to root our efforts in Advocacy.

Student Health Services

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Veteran Services

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Tony Zapata	Academic Counselor	Remote Monday/Friday
Nina Bailey	Student Services Specialist	Remote Wednesday/Friday
Rosanna Merrill	Student Services Technician	Remote Thursday/Friday
Eliana Rios	Student Services Technician (PT)	Tues, Wed, Thursday
Lawrence Moreno	Student Service TSE (PT)	Mon, Wed, Thursday
Brenda Threatt	Assistant Director	Remote Friday
The VRC is open Mon-Thurs 9-4; closed on Fridays – staff works remotely, goes to VA, community meetings, outreach, other partner meetings, and works on reports/certifications.		

Tuesdays	Staff meetings – include PT counselors Dr. Sabra Sabio & Pryscilla Truong
Events this month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11/3 Attended Navy Recruitment event USS Iowa • 11/4 Mental health network for veterans, Long Beach • 11/4 American Legion Post – Hawthorne • 11/7 Attended Academic Senate meeting – Veterans Day invite • 11/8 Participated in College Night • 11/9 Veterans Day event – Dean Gerrish, President Thames VP's and veterans • 11/10 Attended Veterans' Day event Patriotic Hall • 11/10 Attended Regional Black Chamber of Commerce – recognized for Veteran Service work at ECC and community • 11/11 spoke at Redondo Beach Veterans Day celebration • 11/11 Attended the Montford Point Marine Corps Ball with ECC veteran students – one student received a scholarship • 11/12 Participated in Congressman Ted Lieu's Veterans Day forum • 11/21 Participating in Basic Needs Harvest Festival, veteran students volunteering with Basic Needs • 11/28 Attending USC Army Veteran Student Research Institute • 11/28 Attend So CA Institute Veteran Research and Education meeting
Upcoming events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/2 Participating Los Alamitos Holiday Fair and Ball • 12/3 Participating in Operation Confidence seminar on veteran mental health • 12/4 Attending Forest Lawn Night of Remembrance ceremony – representing veterans who have died • 12/7 Participating in New Direction Veteran Resource Fair – West LA VA campus

- 12/15 Equal employment (veteran students) with Nicole Streicker (ECC)

Pictures from November events:**NINA'S FAMOUS PUMPKIN SQUARES****COLLEGE NIGHT****VETERANS DAY**

**REDONDO BEACH VETERANS DAY EVENT****MONTFORD POINT MARINE ANNIVERSARY BALL**

Other Student Services

Athletics

- Men's Soccer is heading to the State Championships this weekend as the No. 1 seed
 - Men's Soccer had 12 total All-Conference selections
 - Marvin Gamez – Offensive Player of the Year
 - Nicholas Baltazar – Defensive Player of the Year
 - Donovan Palomares – Goalkeeper of the Year
 - Mike Jacobson – Coach of the Year
 - Nicholas Baltazar also was named the USCA National Player of the Week
- Cross Country had two All-Americans, Sequoia Gonzales and Ami Jacobson, and finished 10th (W) and 17th (M) in the State
- Women's Water Polo Head Coach, Shelby Haroldson, won Coach of the Year honors and led the team to a third place conference finish, the best since 1995
 - Women's Water Polo also earned six All-Conference selections

- Football made the postseason for a record sixth straight season, playing and winning the Beach Bowl against Golden West College
 - Football earned 11 All-Conference selections
- Women's Soccer made playoffs in Head Coach Anton Arrache's first year
 - Women's Soccer also earned six All-Conference selections
- Men's Water Polo finished fourth in conference and earned five All-Conference selections

BSS/SEA Pathway

(No Updates At This Time)

Black Student Success Center

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Campus Police

- Campus police assisted in turkey give away program.
- We assisted during the state chancellor visit.

Emergency Fund

(No Updates At This Time)

FIRST (Formerly Incarcerated Re-entry Students Thriving)

- **Documentary Screening/ Student Panel:**
 - On Nov 1st we displayed the "Almost Home: Life After Incarceration" followed up with a student panel discussion with our FIRST students. The goal is to create awareness and invite staff and faculty that are interested in learning more about how to support formally incarcerated students. We had nearly 80 people join the event.
- **Pozole & Paint**
 - Artwork shop lead by FIRST student. Happening Nov 12th 3pm-6pm & 13th 12pm-6pm at the campus Art Gallery.
- **National Compadres Network Men's Talking Circle:**
 - On Nov 16th our team took a few of our students to a men's talking circle. Goal is to connect students to indigenous healing alternatives and connect them with positive community-based activities.
- **FIRST Step Hikes:**
 - We rescheduled our hiking program to start Nov 17th. We plan to take FIRST students on multiple hikes throughout the LA city area to build community and escape from-day-today stressors by interconnecting with nature.
- **Financial Literacy Workshop Series:**
 - On Nov 20th and Nov 28th at 11am-12pm.
- **FIRST CARES Counseling Group: Talking Circle Thanksgiving Lunch**
 - On Nov 22nd we held our third CARES student counseling group with FIRST students in the Social Justice Center. The topic of this group will be a Giving Grace Talking Circle followed up with a Thanksgiving lunch. Total of 19 students participated in this gathering
- **Movie Night**
 - On Nov 30th we will be hosting a Family Movie Night and display "Elf" in the Social Justice Center Lounge @ 5pm. The objective is to create a familial space where students can invite family members and have positive peer and mentor interactions.

- **Resiliency FIRST Student Club:**

- Our students have successfully launched a formally incarcerated student club. The first general club meeting was held on Nov 22nd @ 2 pm in the Social Justice Center.

LGBTQIA+

- LGBTQIA+ History Month Documentary Screening - *The Times of Harvey Milk* (10/18/23)
- Spirit Day (10/19/23)
- 2023 DEIA Symposium (10/20/23)
- LGBTQIA+ History Month Documentary Screening - *Paris is Burning* (10/25/23)
- First Generation LGBTQIA+ Panel (11/09/23)
- Transgender Day of Remembrance (11/20/2023)

MANA

- Tuesday 10/24/23 Inglewood Teen Center Anniversary 4PM - 6PM
 - The South Bay Work Investment Board (SBWIB) has been a longstanding community partner with ECC. The Inglewood & Hawthorne Teen Center are community centers that operate under the SBWIB. The MANA Coordinator joined President Thames in representing ECC at the Inglewood Teen Center 10-Year Anniversary.
- Wednesday 10/25/23 Stella High Charter Academic Health Fair 5PM - 6:30PM
 - The MANA Coordinator & MANA Student Service Specialist tabled at the SHCA Health Fair to inform students and families of the Stella High community about the different programs and services offered through the ECC SEA (Student Equity & Achievement) Department.
- Friday 10/27/23 Student Leadership Institute 9AM - 3PM
 - The MANA Coordinator presented on Strengths-Based Leadership at SLI (Student Leadership Institute).
- Wednesday 11/15/23 Indigenous Mixer 11AM - 12PM
 - The MANA program collaborated with the Social Justice Center to host a mixer aimed to bring the Native American students, staff and faculty community at ECC together.

Men Of Color Action Network (MOCAN)

Barbershop Talks. This workshop was held in the SEA Center on Nov 15 from 12-2pm

- Event description: Barbershop Talk series opens conversations for Men of Color to receive support and build belonging at ECC. ECC's Men of Color will have the opportunity to talk about their lives in an unstructured, unscripted, safe, and familiar space.

Nintendo Game Day: Smash your Stress & Ace that Test event will be held Dec 7, 2023, in the SJC from 1-3pm (please see attached flyer)

- MOCAN will be collaborating with Student Equity and Achievement and the gaming club to help students de-stress by playing Nintendo switch (Smash Bros, Mario Cart, etc.) in the social justice center. The student will be playing against counselors, staff, and each other for a chance to have fun, build community, and win prizes. Tamales will be served as a nod to how many Latin American cultures celebrate the holiday season.

PASS

- 25 PASS Mentors are available for virtual one-on-one appointments and virtual drop-in groups sessions and on-campus sessions in the SEA center during the Fall semester.
- The Student Equity and Achievement (SEA) Center
 - The SEA Center Hours of Operation for Fall: Monday through Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- myPATH
 - Spring 2024 myPATH sections/courses have been finalized with B&SS, Humanities, Fine Arts, HSA, and Business. (List of courses attached)
 - New Departments coming for Spring 2024: Fire Tech and Administrative Justice
 - Total Sections: 61
 - On-campus – 13
 - Hybrid – 14
 - Online – 34

Project Success/UMOJA

- Two (2) program's Adjunct Counselors/Instructors (Nikki Barber and Cameron Delahoussaye-Turner) received EOPS's 2023 Instructor Appreciation Honorees. Specifically, EOPS students nominated them.
- On December 5, 2023, our program will host a Kwanzaa Celebration from 12 pm to 2 pm in the Black Student Success Center.
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Puente Program

- Puente students, faculty, and staff attended the Puente Student Transfer Motivational Conference on November 4th in CSU San Bernardino along with other Community College Puente Programs in Southern CA.

Social Justice Center:

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ Yarn Bombing: An Interactive Workshop with Artist Darlyn Susan Yee
THURS, NOV 16 | 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
@ Social Justice Center

Native American Heritage Month

We welcome everyone to participate in our upcoming events:

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: East Dining Room

DAY 2: Strengths, Teamwork, Gratitude

Date: Friday, October 27, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: East Dining Room

Leadership in Action Team Check In

Date: Friday, October 27, 2023

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: East Dining Room

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Program Spotlight: Umaja

The Recipe: Calm, Cool,
Collected

Transfer Talks

In collaboration with the Transfer Center

Transfer talks was created to make a space for students who were looking to transfer in Fall '24 or students who wanted to know more about the transfer process. This was a time to get questions answered, speak to trained professionals, and ensure that students were on the right track to meet their educational goals.



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Program Spotlight



The Umoja Community provides “transformative” professional development to faculty, staff, students, and administrators. Colleges with Umoja programs must agree to maintain the core components of the Umoja Community to be an affiliated program. The core components include: participation in the full matriculation process, now mandated by the SSSP; designing an academic pathway, usually a learning community, which accelerates student progress to transfer directed status; and providing intrusive and wrap-around support services.

The Recipe: Calm, Cool, Collected

Dr. LaJoi Lewis from Student Health Services provided a tailored experience for our students. Her immense knowledge of the importance of journaling, breathing, and meditation were timely for this academic season of midterms and other life stressors. This event is one of many opportunities we use to decrease mental health stigmatization and increase our student’s network to include amazing service providers such as the Student Health Center.



HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Tuesday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

NEW

*Wednesday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

TUTORING AVAILABLE!

Math Tutor - Tuesdays: 1:00pm-3:00pm

Writing Tutor - Tuesdays: 11:30am-2:00pm

Writing Tutor - Wednesdays: 12:00pm-4:00pm

Writing Tutor - Thursdays: 12:00pm-4:00pm

UPCOMING EVENTS


11/8 - First Gen Day/College Night




11/9, 16, 28 - Transfer Application Support

11/13-11/16 - BSSC Spirit Week & Kickball

11/17 - BSSC Member Hike

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STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

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DE-STRESS & SELF-CARE WEEK

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Therapy Dogs for Emotional Well-Being

Whether you're seeking stress relief, emotional support, or simply a moment of joy, the therapy dogs are here for you!

11:00am- 1:00pm

DEC
5

Unwind and Thrive: Stress Management Workshop

If you're looking to regain control and lead a more balanced, fulfilling existence, our stress management workshop is just for you.

11:30am- 12:30pm

DEC
6

Pottery Painting for Mental Health & Creative Expression

Discover the therapeutic world of pottery painting as a means to nurture your mental well-being and unleash your creativity.

11:00am -12:00pm

De-Stress Meditation

Join our De-stress Meditation Workshop for a rejuvenating experience that will guide you towards inner calm and balance.

12:00pm- 1:00pm

Navigating Finals with Calm Confidence

Learn practical techniques, mindfulness practices, and effective strategies to optimize your performance and well-being during finals.

1:00pm - 2:00pm

Social Self-Care


In a world where digital connections often overshadow meaningful interactions, nurturing our social well-being is essential for leading a fulfilling and balanced life.

12:00pm - 1:00pm

Music Therapy

Come and decompress with music, meet others who have the same taste in music as you, and learn other relaxation techniques!

2:00pm- 4:00pm



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